

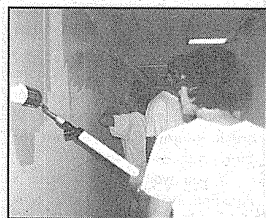
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The Southwest Welcomes Charter Schools

The start of the school year was marked by a last minute scramble. The four new charter schools which were slated to be housed on the second floor of the Southwest Mall were busy cleaning up new space they would occupy during the fall. Delays in receipt of the financing for renovation of the space on the second floor, and late construction start-up caused this last minute rush.

The two schools to be housed in the Charter School Incubator of the Apple-Tree Institute for Education Innovation, found 14,000 ft. of underground space in the Mall. Although spacious, the area needed painting, new ceiling tiles and general clean up. Undaunted by the lim-

ited budget, Ms. Iresema Salcido, Principal and founder of the Cesar Chavez Public Charter High School for Public Policy, turned to volunteers, principally from the Urban Institute and the Heritage Foundation, who formed weekend work crews of twenty or more to ready the space. An ex-student of Principal Salcido now working with Duran paint company persuaded her bosses to donate the needed paint. On September 3 the sixty 9th graders stepped into their temporary quarters for the first time. They encountered serviceable and clean space - one which will serve for two months as their new school until they will move into their other space at WM.

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Come One! Come All!

September 28th at 7:30 p.m., SOUTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSEMBLY will meet at St. Matthew's Church at 2nd and M St.

Listen to Urban Land Institute member R. McDuffie Nichols and discuss your ideas about the ULI. Get Your FREE Copy of the ULI Report, and hear about the proposed merger of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly with the Southwest Community Council.

Gala Southwester Fundraiser at the Arena Stage

By Beverly Stroud

A gala fundraiser to support our community newspaper, *The Southwester* has been scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 1998. The evening's events will be held at the Arena Stage, the Fichandler Theater. It will include a performance of the play, "Thunder Knocking on the Door" and at the conclusion of the play, there will be a wine and dessert reception to honor the new Arena Stage Artistic Director, Ms. Molly D. Smith.

Ticket prices range from \$40 (Donor); \$40 (Sponsor); \$50 (Contributor); and \$75 (Benefactor). The \$40 (Sponsor ticket) is a ticket which will be donated to one of our less fortunate neighbors so that they will be able to enjoy the evening. The \$50 and \$75 tickets will admit you to the performance and to the gala as well.

Informational flyers will be distributed throughout the Southwest community beginning September 24, 1998. Tickets will be available at the SWNA meeting.

Ticket vouchers for the play will be on sale at the Safeway on the fol-

lowing Saturdays: October 3, October 10 and October 17 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm or you can call Dynna Gorham at (202) 276-3470. In addition, they will also be available at churches throughout the

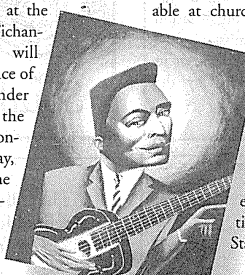
Southwest neighborhood. On the night of the performance there will be a ticket table at the Arena Stage where you will be able to exchange your preticket for an Arena Stage ticket.

The Southwester is a valuable asset to those of

us who reside in Southwest DC. Lets all join together to keep it in financially stable condition. And while we are doing that, we'll enjoy the new "bluesical" by Keith Glover and blues music by Keb' Mo'.

Please show your support by purchasing tickets and attending this event.

All checks should be made payable to the Southwest Community Council, Inc. P. O. Box 70131, Washington, DC 20024. A portion of each ticket price is tax deductible.



ULI Report Ready for Distribution

By Judy Chayes Neiman

At long last! The 60-page report of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) complete with color illustrations showing what Southwest could look like is back from the printer and will be distributed at the September 28th meeting of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly (SWNA). At SWNA's behest, the renowned urban experts undertook a 5-day study of the Southwest community, interviewed more than 150 Southwesters, and in a preliminary report, recommended many exciting changes for our community. The community will review the report (individually and collectively) over the next few months and decide which changes should be adopted.

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ULI Panel Member To Be Speaker at Sept. 28th SWNA Meeting

Mr. Mac Nichols will be the featured speaker at a Sept. 28th Southwest Neighborhood Assembly meeting. Mr. Nichols was a member of the Urban Land Institute Panel which was brought to Southwest by the Assembly in February to help us plan for EPA's leaving. The experts came from around the country and gave their expert opinions on practical ideas to revitalize our neighborhood.

Over 200 community people heard an oral report of the ULI's week-long deliberations on March

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Southwest Community Calendar

September-October 1998

Sept. 22	Tuesday	Fil-Am Toastmasters Club 6:45 p.m. Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K St., SW
Sept 24	Thursday	NARFE DC Chapter 2052 1:30pm Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K Street, SW
Sept 28	Monday	Southwest Neighborhood Assembly General Meeting 7:30pm St. Matthews Lutheran Church 222 M Street, SW
Oct 3	Saturday	Komen Toastmasters Club 10am Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K Street, SW
Oct 5	Monday	Southwest Neighborhood Assembly Board 7:00pm SWNA Office, Waterside Mall 401 M St., SW
Oct 6	Tuesday	First District MPD Citizens Advisory Council 7:00pm First District Headquarters 415 Fourth Street, SW
Oct 8	Thursday	Chamber Music Ensemble 7:30pm St. Augustine's Episcopal Church Sixth St. & Maine Ave, SW
Oct 13	Tuesday	Fil-Am Toastmasters Club 6:45pm Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K St., SW
Oct 15	Thursday	Friends of the SW Library Book Sale 9am-3pm, Waterside Mall
Oct 17	Saturday	Komen Toastmaster Club 10:00 am Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K St., SW
Oct 19	Monday	Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D 7:30pm Westminster Presbyterian Church 400 Eye Street, SW
Oct 21	Wednesday	AARP SW Waterfront Chapter #4751 12:00 noon St. Matthews Lutheran Church 222 M St., SW
Oct 22	Thursday	NARFE DC Chapter 2052 1:30 pm Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K St., SW

(Please submit calendar items by the second week in October to
C.W. Hargrave (202) 554-8284.)

What's In a Name?

By Margaret Feldman

The Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Incorporated will be the new name of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly. The Board of the Southwest Community Council voted to become one organization with the Assembly after the action is ratified by the SWNA at the September 28th meeting.

The Southwest Community Council was the official non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization to which contributors made out checks. It made reports to the IRS, etc. It was known as the fiduciary agent of the Assembly.

The Southwest Neighborhood Assembly has been the action arm which has community meetings for residents of southwest and carries out activities such as the Youth Activities, Scholarship, Waterside Mall/Waterfront Task Forces and prints *The Southwester* Newspaper.

The two organizations have been intertwined ever since their formation in the 1960s. The original reason for separation was that there might be times when the Assembly would want to do political lobbying. Throughout the years, there has been no lobbying which non-profit status would not allow. There is no expectation that the Assembly, as an organization, would take political stands in the future. The Assembly provides forums where issues and candidates are presented so people will have information. Therefore, having two organizations seems unnecessary; leading to confusion and inefficiency.

Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Incorporated will be the non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with no change in the mission of the organization, the Task Forces, or in the activities carried out by the Assembly. ■

Many Thanks! We're Back and Happy to Be Here

We want to thank everyone who made donations to *The Southwester*. This is an ongoing project so it is never too late.

All donations, no matter what size, are appreciated. Two housing complexes have made generous donations. We encourage all housing developments and Southwest businesses to make contributions to *The Southwester*. The paper "is the cement which binds all of SW" and helps to inform the residents of events pertinent to the neighborhood.

This summer, many people in the community expressed anxiety about whether the Southwester would be able to continue. Well - we are here but just barely. We hope that there will be a big turnout for our fundraiser at the Arena - see the article on page 1 and fill out the form on the back page.

If you would like to make a donation to the paper and/or purchase tickets to "Thunder Knocking on the Door", simply make a check out to "The Southwest Community Council Inc." This organization is the fiduciary arm of SWNA. All checks can be mailed to: *The Southwester*, POB 70131, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024. ■

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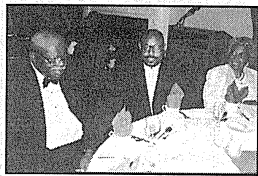
The objective of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, a.k.a. SWNA is: to improve the quality of life for all residents of the Southwest; to open to every Southwest resident the wide cultural horizon of modern urban living; to help create rich and equal social, educational and economic opportunities for every boy and girl of the Southwest; to assist in providing the opportunity for gainful employment for every adult resident; to promote development of the aesthetic potential of the Southwest. These objectives shall be pursued without regard to the social, economic and racial barriers that have divided cities in the past.

The following are the guidelines for publication in *The Southwester*:

The paper serves as a community bulletin board as well as a vehicle for news stories. Occasional articles pertinent to the city will be printed. Opinion letters should be written to *Letters to The Editor* column. Contributions written by community residents are welcome. Articles should be well written and answer the five newspaper questions: Who, What, Where, When and How. Ads will be accepted only from paying customers, but may be rejected if the contents are of questionable taste.

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The Cavaliers Honor LEON FIELDS



Leon Fields, Willie Lloyd Reeves and Ethel J. Williams



Willie Lloyd Reeves, MC, Leon Fields & his son, Deleon Fields



Clara Brewer



Some of the Cavaliers

On July 17, 1998, the Cavalier Athletic/Benevolent Club, Inc. held a dinner dance to honor one of the leaders of this organization, Leon "Rub" Fields. He not only was responsible for starting the Cavaliers; he was also a prime mover in the Southwest Community. A man deserving of the praise which he received that night.

The Cavaliers are a group of men dedicated to helping others. When they

become aware of a problem, they become involved in helping to make a bad situation better. They tutor; provide uniforms to needy groups; donate school supplies; and provide educational, spiritual & cultural enrichment to both young and old. And, I would like to add—they throw very good dinner dances. Yes indeed, the Officer's Club at Fort McNair provided a lovely backdrop for a truly Cavalier man. ■

Molly Smith - A True Gem

By Wallace Babington

"Molly Smith is absolutely the type of leader that Arena needs to take it into the next century." Those are the words of Riley Temple, chair of Arena's Search Committee that found Molly Smith and brought her to our community theater. She begins a new season that promises to fulfill all the expectations that we have come to associate with Arena. Most of the plays she has selected for this year are by American playwrights - and they range from classics such as the current production of "Car on a Hot Tin Roof" to new and innovative dramatic experiences as demonstrated by the inclusion next Spring of "How I Learned to Drive." This season must be successful if Arena is to reclaim its former standing as one of America's premier regional theaters. Last year was one of the worst Arena seasons in recent memory. It was saved

from total failure by at least two productions: "Lovers and Executioners" and "You Can't Take it With You." Molly Smith has her work cut out for her. One of Ms. Smith's new innovations is the introduction of a truly inexpensive ticket: The Hottix program that has formerly offered half price tickets will offer \$7.50 tickets this year. That's the cost of a movie. A true bargain. These tickets are sold one and a half-hours before curtain time for each performance. The Hottix program is especially beneficial to those of us living in Southwest: we can walk over to the theater for a bargain ticket at the last minute without complex advance planning for travel, parking, etc.

We welcome Molly Smith and wish her a successful season that will bring a vibrant, living theater to our community. ■

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Syphax Gardens: "Times Have Changed and So Have We"

by Rev. Ruth Hamilton



Marsha Ridley, property manager

"New fencing, new clothes lines, new drainage gutters, new fuse boxes, awnings on the entrances, decorative shutters, screens repaired, halls painted..", Syphax Resident Council member, Gloria Hamilton, tries to remember all the improvements made. "Each

apartment was freshly painted with all new light fixtures and a new radiator system. Everyone got new stoves and refrigerators, and best of all, showers were added to the baths." "Times have changed and so have we"—that's the new theme. The 29 buildings and 174 units between O and Q and Half and Second used to be called "projects". Now they are called "Syphax Gardens—A Residential Community". And though the children still play mostly on concrete courtyards and sidewalks, now they have green grass to roll in and flower to water and hoses to spray each other. (Hoses are loaned by the Proper-

ty Manager; water bills are paid by the Housing Authority).

Have things really changed or is it just a facelift? Depends, of course, on whom you talk to. Younger residents don't want to act too impressed. Those who have been around a while know that it didn't have to happen, are grateful it finally did, and proud of the change. Even the young mothers admit, "The roaches are gone." Says Callena Williams, who was just reelected for another 3 year term as President of the Syphax Resident Council, "The property has a contract with Terminix

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ed and how to persuade "the powers that be" to adopt them.

The Waterside Mall/Waterfront Task Force, co-chaired by Mercedes Sandoval-Beene and Judith Chayes Neiman, concludes that the immediate emergency is over. As a result of SWNA's pro-active efforts, there are new tenants at the Mall as well as Charter Schools, a remodeled Safeway and rumors that at least one city agency is considering moving to the Mall. The Task Force, once chaired by Drs. Marc Weiss and Margaret Feldman, former and current SWNA presidents, was responsible for raising more than \$100,000 from over 70 sponsors and contributors. This group will be the first to receive copies of the ULI Report.

Dr. Weiss, now a consultant to the DC Department of Housing & Community Development credits the renewed interest in Southwest with the renovation of the 7th Street Bridge (one of the gateways to our neighborhood) which will be widened and realigned, resulting in eight feet pedestrian walkways on each side. Also planned for the area are 93 townhouses at 7th and G Streets, SW, each four stories high to be sold at market rate, as well as the Syphax Village Homes, 28 new townhouses and 12 condominiums, affording some first-time home ownership.

At the prodding of SWNA's president, Margaret Feldman, the DC Arts Commission is considering brightening the 12th street tunnels (another gateway to our neighborhood) with colorful murals by DC artists.

Despite the optimism generated by the report and the work done thus far, the Waterside Mall/Waterfront Task force believes there is still much to be done to keep the spotlight on Southwest. ■

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6th, in a Congressional hearing room. We were able to use this room because of the sponsorship of DC Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton. Now the final report is available to all to read.

The proposal by the Panel to restore 4th Street through the mall and create a "Town Center" has sparked the most interest. Now we have a chance to hear and discuss what this would mean for Southwest.

Mr. Nichols was the ULI expert most knowledgeable about the Town Center or Main Street idea. He has been a consultant on similar ideas in many foreign countries as well as areas as close to us as

Baltimore. He has provided technical assistance to hundreds of revitalization programs throughout the United States as well as serving as visiting technical advisor to revitalization groups in India for the United States Information Agency. He is now with the National Trust for Historic Preservation where he is the senior program manager for special projects for their National Main Street Center. We are fortunate that he is located right here in Washington.

The Final Report of the ULI Study will be available at the meeting. Everyone is urged to attend. ■

Sarah Daye Hears the Beat of the Retirement Drum

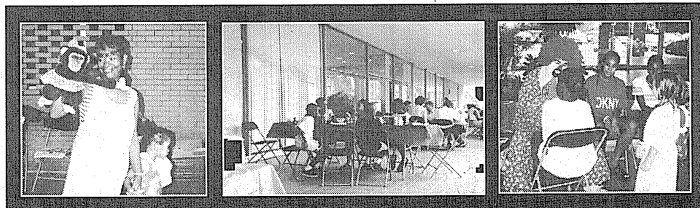
By Blossom Athey

A look at the extraordinary career of Public School Teacher Sarah Daye is to see a truly first rate teacher. Ms. Daye has given over 30 years of dedicated service to the families of Southwest through her remarkable efforts as Music Teacher at Anthony Bowen Elementary School. Countless Southwest children have been inspired, challenged and taught to discover their talents at a very early age. Not only do their faces light up when they see her drive by but they talk excitedly and appreciatively to anyone who mentions "Ms. Daye." Sarah's tremendous talents in composing and arranging exciting rhythmic melodies have been outstanding, and her success in providing a real music education to many who are bogged down with tedious burdens is truly amazing.

Upon retirement, Ms. Daye plans to devote much of her attention to her longtime hobby, ceramics. The Southwest community owes this dedicated educator its deep appreciation and utmost respect for a job extremely well done. ■

Southwest EXPLODES with Excitement

By Trina Fox, Resident Manager



Marina View Towers Apartments hosted its 1st Annual Rib Burnoff on July 26. Residents, along with the Metro Police Department, turned out to show their community spirit for the Southwest Waterfront. "We are here to show our residents and our police department that we want to be a part of the solution here in D.C.," stated manager Trina Fox.

Residents Samantha Nealous and

Mildred Brooks teamed up with Leasing Specialist Kim Moore and Asst. Terry Underwood, motivating the entire community. Water sports, horse shoe toss, and a DJ entertained everyone. The kids participated in races and games. Residents added delicious dishes: potato salad, spicy bean, dishes, and casseroles complemented ribs and barbecued chicken.

More community events will be

scheduled in the future. The manager at Marina View Towers shares the resident's interest and concern for the Southwest Area. Creating a rapport with Metro PD and the community in general, we will be a part of the neighborhood. We do not want to be set apart from the community. This international community, mixed with historic Washington, creates an eclectic community we all love. ■

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Thomas Hamlette who was shot to death while "off duty". He was the son of Pauline Hamlette and the sister of Officer Pamela Hamlette Simms. Mrs. Hamlette has been the principal of Amidon Elementary School for over 15 years. Pamela Simms was recently assigned to the Southwest Area. Our heartfelt sympathy to both families. ■

Obituaries

The Southwester notes the passing of a longtime Southwester and an "adopted" Southwester.

Ms Emma Jane Mitchell, Born 1925, died September, 1998. Music teacher, Talented & Gifted Teacher, member of Delta, former president of AARP.

Mrs. Florence Clemon, Born 1903, for many years lived with her daughter, Mary Ann Bailer, died of natural causes earlier in September, 1998.

If there is who passes and you would like them to be remembered in this column, please call 488-9157 to report the news. ■

D.C. Tourism Comes to Southwest Private

By Barbara Ehrlich

The D.C. Heritage and Tourism Coalition is a consortium of 70 cultural and community organizations dedicated to strengthening the image and economy of the District by engaging visitors in the diverse heritage of the city beyond the monuments. Barbara Wolfson, its community relations and development director, addressed the August meeting of the Washington Waterfront Association.

She described this recently formed organization, explaining that cultural and heritage tourism is travel which is directed toward experiencing the arts, heritage, and special character of a place. According to Ms. Wolfson, it is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry. As such, the D.C. Dept. of Housing and Community Development has provided a grant to develop a 20-page booklet offering walking tours of the Southwest waterfront and Capitol Hill. The text will be written by Southwester Keith Melder, who will fill it with little-known historical facts as well as easy-to-follow walking routes.

The waterfront businesses will be distribution points for this booklet, which will be available in the spring of 1999. ■

SW News Notes

Southwest Branch Library will be accepting books through October 5 for the Friends of the Library Book Sale, October 15, 9am-3pm in the mall...Copies of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) report on Waterside Mall will be available at the SW Branch Library and the SWNA Office (Waterside Mall, former "Prompt Care" office)...

The Komen Toastmasters Club of Southwest Washington is the top-performing Toastmasters in the world, ranked first among 3488 clubs in its membership category. As a feather in its cap, Komen is also the home club of Ombinise Wabantu, winner of District 27's International Speech Contest for 1997/8. To learn how to join the award-winning club, call Mike Schultz at 357-1613...

Thanks to the rental office of Marina View Towers which, for the past several years, has provided space for the Southwester to be stored prior to distribution. This year they will do the same. We are grateful.

Next time you see a grocery cart and it is not at the Safeway, please take it back to the store. All these "lost" carts add up. And guess who ends up paying for them through increased grocery prices.

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The 1998 S.W. Scholarship Committee Awardees are:

1. **Amber Drummond** - Emory University - Freshman
2. **Jaymal Carroll** - Frostburg State University - Sophomore
3. **Kiana Council** - Coppin State College - Junior
4. **Nakia Edelin** - University of the District of Columbia - Freshman
5. **Carlenta Solomon** - Capitol College - Freshman
6. **Tamil N. Perry** - Bethune-Cookman College - Senior
7. **Scott Frankel** - Rochester Institute of Technology - Sophomore
8. **Candace Wyder** - Norfolk State University - Senior
9. **Samuel Abiri Ward** - University of Colorado - Freshman
10. **Tiffany Haliburton** - Cornell University - Freshman ■

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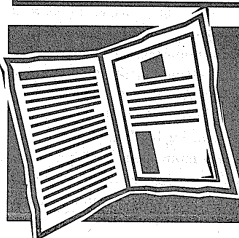
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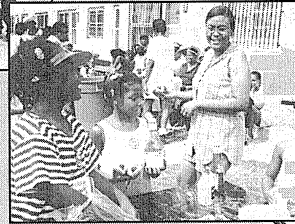
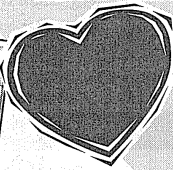
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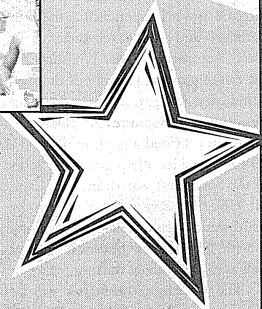


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The Cavaliers (a group which meets for fun & helps out wherever they are needed in the community) is planning a trip to see Lou Rawls at Dover Downs Slots. Call Herbert Holmes at 479-4490 for info.

Amidon, Bowen and Jefferson are right here in our area. We mustn't forget Woodrow Wilson Senior High School. While it is located in NW, it is Southwest's High School. We are proud of it and the Southwest students who attend there.

Southwest residents could watch the funeral procession for Capitol Police Officer Jefferson as it passed up South Capitol Street and past the Capitol on the way to Arlington National Cemetery.

Helpful Events Around Town

DC Webgirls and The Association of Women in Computing will host "Take Your Daughter to the Net" event on September 29, 6:30 p.m. at Westlake Solutions, 4445 Wisconsin Ave. NW. Cost \$10 per child. The event will help young women, aged 9-14, who are interested in learning more about the Internet. For more information see <http://www.dcwebgirls.org/daughters/1998> or call Sonia Zamborsky at soniaz@spa.org/ 202-452-1600 x342.... The non-profit organization ACORN and major banks in the DC area will hold a free "ACORN and Friends Bank Fair" on Saturday, Oct. 10, 12-5 p.m. at the Hine Jr. High (Pennsylvania at 7th SE). Learn more about buying a home, obtaining or repairing credit, starting a business or opening a bank account.

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every Wednesday and anyone whose apartment needs spraying can give the property manager a call to set up a visit."

Williams, has turned her building's front yard into a tropical garden. A warm but no "game-playing" woman, she calmly tells of "the business & program center" the Resident Council is working on to enhance life in Syphax. "1501 Half Street not only houses the Property Manager's office but also the Family Investment Center, a job placement program, a Food Bank, and what will be a Babysitting Service for residents who are working or in school. We

also have 10 computers there ready for a training program."

The Council is still pushing for two playgrounds. David Gilmore, the D.C. Housing Receiver, has committed to one and they recently had Jack Evans, Ward 2 Council member out to see if they could enlist his help in funding a second. "Times have changed and so have we." I asked 6-year old Quianna Lewis how she liked the improvements and if she'd do anything differently. She said, "I'd change rooms with my mother." The desire to live in a nicer place—it's in us all. ■

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Two hundred additional 9th through 12th graders, students of the Math Science and Technology Public Charter High School have joined the Chavez students in the lower level space. They and their ten teachers moved into the same area in September. The students of Tech World, in their spiffy uniforms, found temporary quarters in the classrooms of Southeastern University, a partner in the effort. The fourth school, IDEA, found temporary space outside the Southwest area.

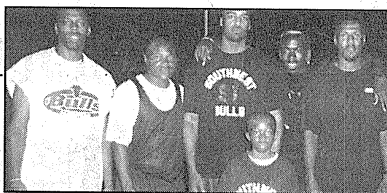
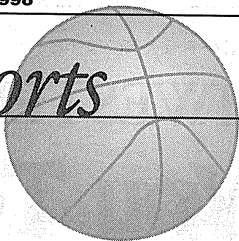
Recognizing the space constraints, the Chavez School planned a two week orientation of trips and lectures outside the building. In their first two weeks, students have heard from Ann Fedder, Chief Economic Advisor to the President, the members of the staff of the Urban Institute and the Heritage Foundation, leaders in not-for-profit and

Youth Venture, Sterling Tucker, past member of the City Council, and they visited Congress, and the Archives. When asked what was different about the school and Principal Salcido, excited students said that this principal and teachers "really care about us, and believe in us and help us to do our best."

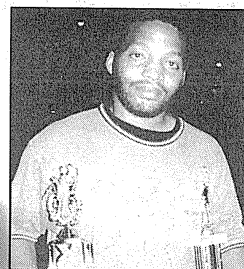
The Charter schools bring fresh energy and innovation to public education. Early estimates show that the population of these publicly financed and chartered schools are drawing children from low and moderate income families anxious for a good education.

The Cesar Chavez School and others are anxious for volunteer tutors and mentors. Training is scheduled for mentors and tutors. For more information and to volunteer contact Eve Brooks at 488-1951. ■

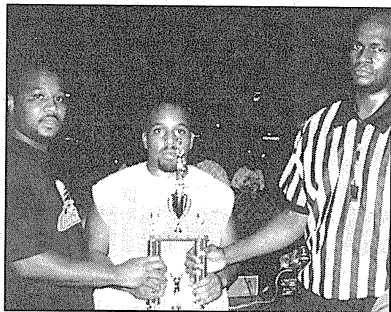
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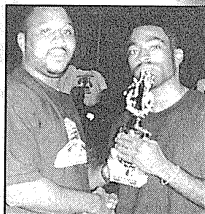
Repeat champions of the adult summer league at King-Greenleaf outdoor court are the S.W. Bulls. Left to right: Kevin Patterson, Tay Wright, B.J., David Carson, Gregory Patterson, Donald Covington. In front is Kevin Patterson, Jr.



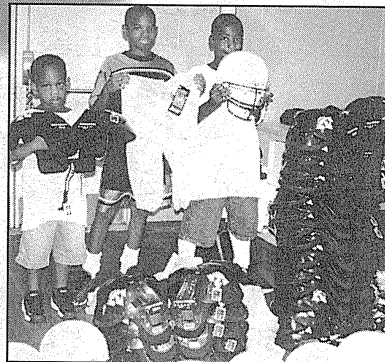
Herby Young, with 203 Crew runner-up and MVP trophies



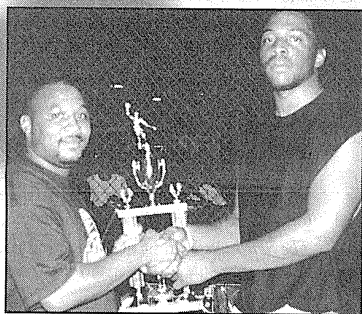
3-point champion of the summer league was Mike Terry, flanked by BayBay Shannon who was the play-by-play announcer for most games and Wally Perry, referee-commissioner.



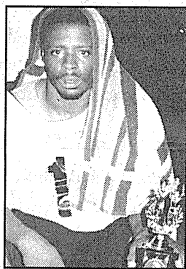
BayBay Shannon, left, summer league commissioner, congratulates Preston Thomas, of the Champion S.W. Bulls, who made 6 3-pointers in the first half of the championship game.



Hundreds of dollars in new football uniforms are displayed by Club 4 future gridiron greats Paul Shaw, left, Nathanall Walden, and Rico Nines. The equipment was financed in part by the S.W. Youth Activities Task Force.



Slam-dunk contest winner was Larry Townes, receiving his award from BayBay Shannon.



Kevin Harris, 1998 MVP (Most Valuable Player) Summer League.



Club 4's baseball team made it to the city championship game. With Coach Wyatt Green are: Front row, left to right, Nate Walden, Rico Nines, Rodney Lawrence, George Washington, James King. Back row, left to right, Nate Almer, Patrick Allen, Jeff Almar, Rafor Furge-son.

Southwest Mystery Book Club

Third Tuesday of Each Month Beginning September 22, 1998

From: 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Call Southwest Branch Library for More Information,

202-727-1381

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Says Chris Leonard of ACORN, "The Bank Fair is a real opportunity for those living in low-income communities to gain a piece of the American Dream...All hard-working citizens should have access to credit needed to achieve homeownership or to start a business." For more information call 202-547-9292. ■

Tel Court

Mrs. Hayden is the Director of this complex which is located at 35 O St., SW. She indicated that there are lots of events which her area has planned. Anyone who is interested, can give her a call at 554-0375. Everyone is invited.

Trip to Atlantic City, September 19, 1998

Tutoring Kids Program

Time: Mon - Fri, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Music Lesson - Kids

Time: Mon - Fri, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Bus Trip: Adventure World

Time: October 31st, 1998

Sewing Classes: Mon-Wed, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Bazaar Raising Money for Music Program

Association of American Foreign Service Women, AAPSW

AAPSW is holding it's 38th annual Book Fair at the Department of State on Saturday and Sunday, October 17th and 18th and the 24th and 25th. The hours are 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Enter at 23rd Street. The admission is free. Visa and Mastercard are accepted. On the last day, everything will be half price!

Featured: Collector's Corner, Stamp Corner, Art Corner, Children's Books, Cookbooks, Foreign Language Books and much more. The proceeds go to scholarships and many deserving causes in the area. For further information, call the AAFSW Office at 202/223-5796. ■

The Southwester wishes all the children and teachers a great school year!

The SOUTHWESTER Invites You To Join Us for a Special Bluesical Evening

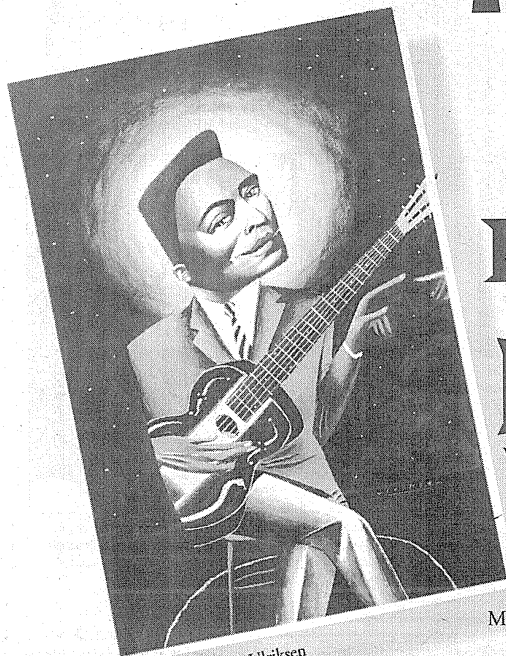


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Please help support *The Southwester* community paper by joining us at the Arena Stage for an exciting evening filled with great music and good friends from your neighborhood. Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 14th, to see the bluesical *Thunder Knocking on the Door* written by Keith Glover, original score by Keb' Mo'.

The Storyline: Shape-shifter, Marvel Thunder has come to Bessemer, Alabama to challenge the twin children of the only musician who ever "but-licked" him on the Delta Blues guitar. At a legendary southern crossroads, the final guitar showdown takes place and a little magic gets unleashed. The *Minneapolis*

Star Tribune hailed this new blues fantasy by Keith Glover (*Coming of the Hurricane*) and Grammy Award winner Keb' Mo', a musical firmly planted in the black culture that is big enough to embrace every kind of audience, young and old, black and not black, drama snobs and Andrew Lloyd Webber fans!

By purchasing a ticket to this event (a portion of your ticket is deductible) as a Donor/Sponsor/Contributor/Benefactor, you are helping to raise funds to keep *The Southwester* in print throughout the rest of the year and into 1999.

So tear off the bottom portion of this flyer and help yourself and the southwest community to stay in touch with one another.

Join us after the play for a wine and dessert gala welcoming Arena's new artistic director, Molly Smith.

Yes, I want to purchase tickets to help THE SOUTHWESTER

Single ticket sales

Donor = \$40.00

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(purchase of a ticket for someone else)

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Check enclosed (make check payable to: Southwest Community Council)

Amount: \$ _____

Name: _____

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A portion of your ticket is tax deductible.